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## **ANNUAL REPORT**

OF

Name: BLACK EARTH TELEPHONE COMPANY

Principal Office: 301 S WESTFIELD RD

P.O. BOX 5158

MADISON, WI 53705-0158

For the Year Ended: DECEMBER 31, 1997

# TELECOMMUNICATIONS UTILITY TO PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

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## **SIGNATURE PAGE**

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BLACK EARTH TELEPHONE COMPA	NY , certify that	
(Utility Name)		
am the person responsible for accounts; that I have examined knowledge, information and belief, it is a correct statement of period covered by the report in respect to each and every mat	the business and affairs of said utility for	
GERALD A RINGLUND	04/17/1998	
(Person responsible for accounts)	(Date)	
ASSISTANT TREASURER	<u> </u>	
(Title)		

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#### ANNUAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS REPORT GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Access Line Central office line equipment, or equivalent, and all outside plant facilities, or equivalent,

required to connect the serving central office with the customer premises via physical connection, frequency transmission, and/or time slot transmission. From an engineering perspective, a channel connection is at a DS0 level. A DS0 level is a 4 KHz voice channel or a

64 kilobits per second digital channel.

**Analog Signal** A signal that varies in a continuous manner such as voice or music. An analog signal must be

contrasted with a digital signal which can assume only discrete values.

**Cellular System** A high capacity land mobile radio system in which an assigned frequency spectrum is divided

into discrete channels that are assigned to a cellular geographic serving area.

**Central Office** A switching unit in a telephone system providing service to the general public, having the

necessary equipment and operating arrangements for terminating and interconnecting lines

and trunks.

**Centrex** A service for customers with many stations that permits station-to-station dialing, one listed

directory number for the customer, direct inward dialing to a particular station and station identification on outgoing calls. The switching functions are performed in a central office

(stand alone, host or remote).

Channel An electrical communications path between two or more points. A single pair of wires may

provide more than one channel. A channel may also be provided by microwave.

**Customer** A person who uses a telephone as a subscriber.

**Digital Signal** A signal that has a limited number of discrete states. This may be contrasted with an analog

signal that varies in a continuous manner and may have an infinite number of states.

Equal Access The ability of the subscriber to use any long distance service by dialing the same number of

digits.

**Exchange** A defined area served by one or more central offices regardless of technical serving

arrangements within which the company furnishes service at rates and rules prescribed for that area in the company's filed tariffs. The area is not necessarily marked by political

boundaries or the location of host or remote switching units.

**Extended Area** The ability of a customer to call customers in other exchanges at no additional charge or at an

Service (EAS) additional charge per tariff.

Extended The ability of a customer to call customers in other exchanges at rates usually above EAS

Community rates but below toll rates for comparable distances. Rates generally include a duration

Calling (ECC) element.

Feature Group A Line-side originating and terminating LATA access for which an originating subscriber dials an

assigned telephone number that connects to a specific interexchange carrier (IC). The IC returns a tone to signal the caller to input additional generated digits of the called number.

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Feature Group B Trunk-side originating and terminating LATA access for which an originating subscriber dials a

950-WXXX number (where W=0, 1 and XXX is the carrier access code (CAC)), which is translated to a specific XXX carrier trunk group. Optional rotary dial service and ANI may be

available.

Feature Group C Trunk-side LATA access for AT&T-Communications generally on a direct

basis between each end office (EO) and an AT&T-C switching system.

Feature Group D Also referred to as equal access. It is trunk-side LATA access affording call supervision of an

interexchange carrier, a uniform access code (10XXXXX), optional calling party identification,

recording of access-charge billing details and presubscription to a customer specified

interexchange carrier.

**FX-IN** A nonswitched service where the customer of the company is connected to and receives

switching service through central office equipment located in another exchange area.

**FX-OUT** A switched service where facilities are provided from the central office out to the exchange

boundary where it meets the line from a foreign exchange subscriber.

Host Switching System A switching system that provides centralized control over most of the switching functions of one or more remote switching units. The host switching system usually provides trunk access

to the operating company intraLATA networks.

Local Access Transport Area (LATA) A geographic area within which an operating company may offer its telecommunications

services.

Mobile Telephone A service which provides radio telephone communication from a mobile vehicle to another

vehicle or to a regular telephone.

Paging A service which provides one-way signal or voice communication over a radio channel to a

miniature receiver carried by the customer.

**Pair** Two wires of a single circuit.

**Pay Station** A telephone which normally requires all users to deposit one or more coins or use a

credit card to complete a call.

Private Line Service Channel or circuit rented for private use and not intended to be connected to the general

distribution system.

Private Branch Exchange (PBX) A manually, or operator controlled switching system, usually on the customer's premises,

which serves that customer's telephones over a common group of lines from the central office.

Radio Common Carrier (RCC)

A company which furnishes public telecommunications service using one or more radio

channels.

Remote Switching An electronic switching system that is remote from its host or control office. All of the central

**Unit (RSU)** control equipment for the RSU is located in the host switching system.

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#### **Route Miles**

Total number of route miles (to the nearest mile) of operating plant facilities including drop wire in the exchange. One route mile may consist of:

- 1. One mile of roadway with any combination of outside plant facilities on any number of rights-of-way.
- 2. One mile of a cross country route with any combination of outside plant facilities.
- 3. One mile of point-to-point microwave or radio link.
- 4. One mile of plant on either side of a limited access highway or natural barrier, such as a navigable waterway.
- One mile of joint use line where the utility either owns the facility or leases space.

## Stand Alone Switch

A central office switch which has no remote switching units (RSUs) subtending it.

#### Trunk

A communications path connecting two switching systems in the establishment of an end-to-end connection.

## Wide Area Telephone Service (WATS)

Customer leased access line or lines connected to the nationwide network over which an unlimited number of calls can be made for a fixed monthly charge.

#### Wire Center

The location of one or more local switching systems. A point at which customers' loops converge.

## **ABBREVIATIONS USED IN ANNUAL REPORTS**

Acct Accum Acq Admin Alloc Amort	Account Accumulated Acquisition Administrative Allocation Amortization
СО	 Central Office
Depr	 Depreciation
Equip Exp EOY	 Equipment Expenses End of Year
FOY	 First of Year
Info ITC	 Information Investment Tax Credit
Misc	 Miscellaneous
Nonoper Nonreg	 Nonoperating Nonregulated
Oper Opns Orig	 Operating Operations Originating
Prop	 Property
Receiv Reg Rev	 Receivable Regulated Revenues
Svcs	 Services
Telecom Term TPIS TPUC	 Telecommunications Terminating Telecommunications Plant in Service Telecommunications Plant Under Construction

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## **IDENTIFICATION AND OWNERSHIP**

Exact Utility Name: BLACK EARTH TELEPHONE COMPANY

Utility Location: 301 S WESTFIELD RD

P.O. BOX 5158

MADISON, WI 53705-0158

**Utility Web Site Address:** 

When was utility organized?: 06/01/1905

Report any change in name and the effective date:

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## **IDENTIFICATION AND OWNERSHIP**

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Name: TDS TELECOMUNICATIONS CORPORATION

Address: 301 S. WESTFIELD ROAD

MADISON, WI 53705

Number of Shares Held: 6,994

Beneficial Owner: NONE

List companies owned, controlled, or operated and form and extent of such ownership, control or operation.

**Company Name:** 

Form of Interest:

**Extent Of Interest:** 

## **INCOME STATEMENT - TOTAL COMPANY**

Particulars (a)	This Year (b)	Last Year (c)	
Operating Revenues (5000-5300)	970,420	931,650	1
Operating Expenses			
Plant Specific Operations Expense (6110-6410)	76,076	62,030	2
Plant Nonspecific Operations Expense	259,813	231,824	3
Customer Operations Expense (6610-6620)	162,530	221,731	4
Corporate Operations Expense (6710-6790)	214,545	149,786	5
Other Operating Income and Expense (7100)	444	408	6
Operating Taxes (7200)	122,269	119,857	7
Total Operating Expenses	834,789	784,820	8
Net Operating Income	135,631	146,830	9
Other Income			
Nonoperating Income and Expense (7300)	4,682	14,929	10
Nonoperating Taxes (7400)	677	3,255	11
Interest and Related Items (7500)	54,127	54,060	12
Extraordinary Items (7600)	0	0	13
Nonregulated Net Income (7990)	9,771	5,506	14
Total Nonoperating Income	(40,351)	(36,880)	15
Net Income	95,280	109,950	16

## NOTES TO INCOME STATEMENT OR BALANCE SHEET

In the space provided below, disclose all material information not included elsewhere in this report that is necessary to make the financial statements clear and understandable. Included should be:

1. A summary of significant accounting policies. (The summaries should disclose, but not be limited to, the utility's accounting policies with regard to pension cost, unbilled revenues, depreciation, and income

#### TELEPHONE PLANT

Telephone plant is stated as the original cost of construction including capitalized costs such as taxes, pensions, and other fringe benefits, and an allowance for funds used during construction (AFUDC).

#### **DEPRECIATION**

The company provides depreciation for financial reporting purposes using the straight-line method. Renewals and betterments of units of property are charged to telephone plant in service. The original cost of depreciable property retired, together with removal cost less any salvage realized, is charged to accumulated depreciation. Repairs and renewals of minor items of property are charged to maintenance expense. No gain or loss is recognized in connection with ordinary retirements of depreciable property.

#### REVENUES

Operating and nonoperating revenues are recognized when earned regardless of the period in which they are billed.

Compensation for all intrastate service is received through tariffed access charges billed to the long distance carrier and retained by the company.

Compensation for interstate access services is received through tariffed access charges filed by the National Exchange Carrier Association (NECA) with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) on behalf of the member companies. These access charges are billed by the company to the interstate long distance carrier, and pooled with like revenues from all NECA member companies.

#### PENSION

The company is a member of the Telephone and Data Systems, Inc. Employees' Pension Trust I. This qualified, noncontributory defined contribution pension plan covers substantially all company employees. Under this plan, pension benefits and costs are funded currently.

#### INCOME TAXES

The company is included in the TDS consolidated federal income tax return. For financial reporting purposes, the company computes its federal income tax by applying the statutory rate to all its taxable income.

The company uses the full-normalization method for all timing differences with the resulting book-tax differences being provisioned through the deferred tax accounts. Deferred income taxes resulting from accelerated depreciation used for income tax purposes had previously been provided through the depreciation accounts. Such deferred taxes are credited to income as the related timing differences reverse Investment tax credits

#### NOTES TO INCOME STATEMENT OR BALANCE SHEET

In the space provided below, disclose all material information not included elsewhere in this report that is necessary to make the financial statements clear and understandable. Included should be:

resulting from investments in qualifying telephone plant and equipment have been deferred and are being amortized to income over the service lives of the related property.

2. A summary of significant contingent assets and liabilities existing at year end, including a brief explanation of any action initiated by the Internal Revenue Service, Wisconsin Department of Revenue, or the utility involving a possible assessment or refund of taxes.

#### None

3. The notes should include an explicit and precise explanation of any retained earnings restrictions and should state the amount of retained earnings affected by such restrictions.

The company is restricted from transferring funds to the parent or other affiliates in the form of cash dividends until certain financial requirements of its mortgage indentures have been met. At December 31, 1997, the company has invested no funds with Telecommunications Technologies Fund, Inc., and could distribute up to \$259,692 to the parent or other affiliates in the form of cash dividends.

## BALANCE SHEET - ASSETS (CLASS B USE ACCOUNTS DESIGNATED BY \*)

Particulars (a)	BalanceEOY (b)	BalanceFOY (c)	
CURRENT ASSETS			
CASH AND EQUIVALENTS			
Cash and Equivalents (1120)*			1
Cash (1130)	78,010	116,575	_ 2
Special Cash Deposits (1140)	0	0	3
Working Cash Advances (1150)	350	350	_ 4
Temporary Investments (1160)	0	0	5
TOTAL CASH AND EQUIVALENTS	78,360	116,925	_
RECEIVABLES AND ALLOWANCES FOR DOUBTFUL ACCOUNT	ITS		
Telecommunications Accounts Receivable (1180)*	47,692	27,180	_ 6
Accounts Receivable Allowance-Telecom (1181)*	0	0	7
Net: Telecommunications Accounts Receivable	47,692	27,180	
Other Accounts Receivable (1190)*	124,731	95,553	_ 8
Accounts Receivable AllowanceOther (1191)*	0	0	9
Net: Other Accounts Receivable	124,731	95,553	
Notes Receivable (1200)*	0	0	_ 10
Notes Receivable Allowance (1201)*	0	0	11
Net: Notes Receivable	0	0	
Interest and Dividends Receivable (1210)*	420	514	_ 12
TOTAL RECEIVABLES AND ALLOWANCES FOR DOUBTFUL	172,843	123,247	_
SUPPLIES			
Inventories (1220)*	5,606	5,290	13
TOTAL SUPPLIES	5,606	5,290	_
PREPAYMENTS			
Total Prepayments (1280)*			_ 14
Prepaid Rents (1290)	0	0	15
Prepaid Taxes (1300)	992	1,560	16
Prepaid Insurance (1310)	0	0	 17
Prepaid Directory Expenses (1320)	2,324	10,634	18
Other Prepayments (1330)	6,592	2,961	_ 19
TOTAL PREPAYMENTS	9,908	15,155	
OTHER CURRENT ASSETS	,	,	_
Other Current Assets (1350)*	30	887	20
TOTAL OTHER CURRENT ASSETS	30	887	
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	266,747	261,504	_
NONCURRENT ASSETS	200,171	201,304	_
INVESTMENTS			
Investment in Affiliated Companies (1401)*	0	0	21
Investments in Nonaffiliated Companies (1402)*	9,540	9,540	22
Nonregulated Investments (1406)*	2,961	8,600	_ <u>_ 23</u>
Unamortized Debt Issuance Expense (1407)*	0	0,000	24
Sinking Funds (1408)*	0	0	_ 2 <del>4</del> 25
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## BALANCE SHEET - ASSETS (CLASS B USE ACCOUNTS DESIGNATED BY \*)

NONCURRENT ASSETS	Particulars (a)	BalanceEOY (b)	BalanceFOY (c)	
Other Noncurrent Assets (1410)*         0         0         26           TOTAL INVESTMENTS         12,501         18,140           DEFERRED CHARGES           Deferred Maintenance and Retirements (1438)*         9,758         11,400         27           Deferred Maintenance and Retirements (1438)*         0         0         28           Deferred Charges (1439)*         101         0         29           TOTAL DEFERRED CHARGES         9,859         11,400         1           TOTAL NONCURRENT ASSETS         22,360         29,540           PLANT           TELECOMMUNICATIONS PLANT IN SERVICE           Telecommunications Plant in Service (2001)*         3,230,773         3,034,189         30           Less: Accumulated AmortizationCapitalized Leases (3410)*         0         0         32           Less: Accumulated AmortizationLeasehold Improvements (3500)*         0         0         34           Less: Accumulated AmortizationIntangible (3500)*         0         0         34           PROPERTY HELD FOR FUTURE USE           Prop. Held for Future Telecommun. Use (2002)*         0         0         0         35           Less: Accumulated DepreciationHeld for Future         0         <	NONCURRENT ASSETS			
TOTAL INVESTMENTS				
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TOTAL NONCURRENT ASSETS   PLANT   PLANT	Deferred Charges (1439)*	101	0	29
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2,103,416 2,112,319	TOTAL ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS*	2,163,418	2,112,319	_

## BALANCE SHEET - LIABILITIES (CLASS B USE ACCOUNTS DESIGNATED BY \*)

Particulars (a)	BalanceEOY (b)	BalanceFOY (c)	
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Accounts Payable (4010)*	75,262	57,712	1
Notes Payable (4020)*	0	0	_ 2
Advance Billing and Payments (4030)*	0	0	3
Customer Deposits (4040)*	40	40	_ 4
Current MaturitiesLong-Term Debt (4050)*	28,400	31,949	5
Current MaturitiesCapital Leases (4060)*	0	0	_ 6
Income TaxesAccrued (4070)*	9,701	1,274	7
Other TaxesAccrued (4080)*	(7,502)	3,524	8
Net Current Deferred Operating Income Taxes (4100)*	0	0	9
Net Current Deferred Nonoperating Income Taxes (4110)*	0	0	10
Other Accrued Liabilities (4120)*	10,329	4,250	11
Other Current Liabilities (4130)*	531	0	12
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES*	116,761	98,749	_
LONG-TERM DEBT			
Funded Debt (4210)*	987,920	1,011,638	13
Premium on Long-Term Debt (4220)*	0		14
Discount on Long-Term Debt (4230)*	0		15
Reacquired Debt (4240)*	0	0	16
Obligations Under Capital Leases (4250)*	0		17
Advances from Affiliated Companies (4260)*	0	0	18
Other Long-Term Debt (4270)*	0	0	19
TOTAL LONG-TERM DEBT*	987,920	1,011,638	_
OTHER LIABILITIES AND DEFERRED CREDITS			
Other Long-Term Liabilities (4310)*	225	918	20
Unamortized Operating ITCNet (4320)*	(60)	2,077	21
Unamortized Nonoperating ITCNet (4330)*	0	0	22
Net Noncurrent Deferred Operating Income Taxes (4340)*	154,079	148,077	23
Net Deferred Tax Liability Adjustments (4341)*	9,790	10,282	_ 24
Net Noncurrent Deferred Nonoperating Income Taxes (4350)*	0	0	25
Other Deferred Credits (4360)*	0	0	26
Deferred Tax Regulatory Liability (4361)*	(32)	1,118	27
TOTAL OTHER LIABILITIES AND DEFERRED CREDITS*	164,002	162,472	_
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Capital Stock (4510)*	104,910	104,910	28
Additional Paid-in Capital (4520)*	0	0	29
Treasury Stock (4530)*	0	0	30
Other Capital (4540)*	0	0	31
Retained Earnings (4550)*	789,825	734,545	32
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY*	894,735	839,455	_
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND OTHER CREDITS*	2,163,418	2,112,314	

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Item (a)	Amount (b)	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Net Income	95,280	1
Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	206,176	2
Interest during construction	(337)	3
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Current assets (net)	(43,808)	4
Other noncurrent assets	1,541	5
Other current liabilities	21,561	6
Other liabilities and deferred credits	1,530	7
Other (specify): TOTAL ADJUSTMENTS	186,663	
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES (NET INCOME & ADJUST.)	281,943	
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Capital Expenditures:	(050,075)	•
Changes in plant (net) Investments in affiliated companies	(258,875) 0	8 9
Nonoperating Investments  Other (specify):	5,639	10
NET CASH USING IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(253,236)	
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Change in capital lease obligations (net)	0	11
Change in long-term debt (net)	(27,267)	12
Net changes in stockholder equity other than retained earnings	0	13
Change in short term borrowing (net)	0	14
Dividends paid	(40,000)	15
Miscellaneous debits/credits to retained earnings	0	16
Other (specify): Net Cash Provided by Financing Activities	(67,267)	
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(38,560)	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year (Accts. 1130-1160 for Class A; 1120 for Class B)		

Cash and cash equivalents at end of year

(Accts. 1130-1160 for Class A; 1120 for Class B)

## IMPORTANT CHANGES DURING THE YEAR

1. Give the name and address of all companies which during the year came under the direct control of the respondent otherwise than through title to securities, stating whether such control is sole or joint, how control was established, names of other parties to a joint agreement for control, the extent of control exercised by each party, and any other pertinent data requisite to a clear understanding of the arrangements relating to control (See Section 32.9000 of the Uniform System of Accounts). Where important details relating to control of a company have changed, give particulars. If during the year a company ceased to be controlled by the respondent, its name and a statement of fact will be sufficient.

#### None

2. Give the name and address of all companies which during the year came under the indirect control of the respondent through non-reporting intermediaries, stating whether such control is sole or joint, how control was established, names of other parties to a joint agreement for control, the extent of control exercised by each party, the name and address of the intermediary through which the indirect control exists, and any other pertinent data requisite to a clear understanding of the arrangements relating to control (See Section 32.9000 of the Uniform System of Accounts). Where important details relating to control of a company have changed, give particulars. If during the year a company ceased to be controlled by the respondent, its name and a statement of fact will be sufficient.

#### None

3. Important leaseholds acquired, given, assigned or surrendered, giving effective dates, lengths of terms, names of parties, rents, and other conditions.

#### None

4. List extension of system (other than additions supplementing existing facilities of the respondent) whether by purchase, construction, donation, or otherwise, such as a substantially complete telephone system, exchange or toll line. Give the location, new territory covered, and dates of beginning operation, and in case of purchase give also the name and address of the company from which purchased, date of acquisition, the consideration given, and reference to Commission authorization.

#### None

5. Estimated increase or decrease in annual revenues due to important rate changes, giving bases of estimates.

#### None

Obligation incurred or assumed by respondent as guarantor for the performance by another of any agreement or obligation, excluding ordinary commercial paper maturing on demand or not later than one year after date of issue.

#### None

7. Changes in articles of incorporation or amendments to charter.

#### None

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8. Additional matters of fact (not elsewhere provided for) which respondent may desire to include in its report.

In 1997 payphones were deregulated. Since that time, depreciation on this investment has been recorded as a nonregulated expense. However, temporarily for internal tracking purposes, the net investment has not been reclassified to nonregulated activities as of 12/31/97.

## **AFFILIATE ABBREVIATIONS**

In column (b) provide the abbreviation for the name of the affiliate shown in column (a). Limit abbreviations to 10 characters or less. Use these abbreviations when completing the affiliated interest schedules. Insert "Other" in the Abbreviations column if the activity to be reported for a particular record in the Affiliated Interest Transactions or Affiliated Assets and Liabilities schedule represents an aggregation of activity not exceeding the dollar or percentage limits set forth in the header of that schedule.

Name of Affiliate	Abbreviations	
(a)	(b)	
Badger Telecom, Inc.	BADGER	1
Central State Telephone Company	CENTRAL	2
Grantland Telephone Company	GRANTLAND	3
Mt. Vernon Telephone Company	MT VERNON	4
Other	ОТН	5
Riverside Telecom, Inc.	RIVERSIDE	6
Suttle Press, Inc.	SUTTLE	7
Telephone and Data Systems, Inc.	TDS CORP	8
TDS Computing Services, Inc.	TDS/CS	9
TDS Telecommunications, Inc.	TDS-TEL	10
Waunakee Telephone Company	WAUNAKEE	11

#### AFFILIATED INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

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Particulars					
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	_
Docket	0005-TI-000124	0005-TI-000124	0005-TI-000124	0005-TI-000124	
Name of Affiliate	MT VERNON	OTH	OTH	SUTTLE	_ 1
Designate whether billed to or from:	FROM	FROM	TO	FROM	2
Cost Based (C), Market Price (M),					_
Prevailing Price (P), Tariff (T), Other (O)	С	C	С	M	_ 3
Revenues	0	0	0	0	4
Expenses:					_
Plant Specific Operations Expense	10,086	0	249	0	5
Plant Nonspecific Operations Expense	1,908	0	114	10	6
Customer Operations Expense	6,485	438	495	224	_ 7
Corporate Operations Expense	6,284	0	5	0	8
Total Operating Expenses	24,763	438	863	234	_ 9
Other:					_
Plant Accounts	21,387	8,533	987	0	_ 10
Accumulated Depreciation			0	0	11
Accumulated Amortization			0	0	_ 12
Clearing			0	0	13
All Other	1,140		34	0	_14
Total	47,290	8,971	1,884	234	_ 15
Percent of affiliate's business billed to					_
all affiliated regulated utilities				62.00	_16
If cost based, rate of return on equity					_
or markup incorporated in billings	0.00	0.00			_ 17

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Particulars					
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	_
Docket	0005-TI-000124 00	05-TI-000124	0005-TI-000124		
Name of Affiliate	TDS CORP	TDS/CS	TDS-TEL		_ 1
Designate whether billed to or from:	FROM	FROM	FROM		2
Cost Based (C), Market Price (M), Prevailing Price (P), Tariff (T), Other (O)	С	С	С		_ _ 3
Revenues	0	0	0		
Expenses:					_
Plant Specific Operations Expense	0	0	725		_ 5
Plant Nonspecific Operations Expense	466	735	36,940		6
Customer Operations Expense	0	44,476	8,300		_ 7
Corporate Operations Expense	23,975	10,208	98,048		8
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	24,441	55,419	144,013	0	_
Other:					_
Plant Accounts	0	0	55,845		10
Accumulated Depreciation	0	0	0		11
Accumulated Amortization	0	0	0		_ 12
Clearing	0	0	0		13
All Other	0	0	2,123		14
Total	24,441	55,419	201,981	0	_ 15
Percent of affiliate's business billed to all affiliated regulated utilities					- 16
If cost based, rate of return on equity					_
or markup incorporated in billings	0.00	15.00	0.00		17
Footnotes	Е				_

### AFFILIATED ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

This schedule should be used to report affiliated activity concerning balances at the end of the year for the following accounts: 1120, Cash and Equivalents; 1160, Temporary Investments; 1180, Telecommunications Accounts Receivable; 1190, Other Accounts Receivable; 1210, Interest and Dividends Receivable; 1401, Investment in Affiliated Companies; 4010, Accounts Payable; and 4260, Advances from Affiliated Companies. Amounts at the end of the year for each affiliate should be identified by respective affiliate and account number. Report information below consecutively by respective account number; affiliated amounts of less than \$5,000 may be reported in aggregate as "other" for a particular account. Affiliated amounts recorded in accounts 1200, Notes Receivable, 1408, Sinking Funds, and 4020, Notes Payable, should not be reported in this schedule, but rather in the respective schedules contained elsewhere in this report.

Name of Affiliate (a)	Account Number (b)	Balance EOY (c)	
Other	1190	8,946	1
TDS Telecommunications, Inc.	1190	37,737	2
Other	4010	1,230	3
Telephone and Data Systems, Inc.	4010	7,720	4 A
TDS Telecommunications, Inc.	4010	31.976	5

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## **ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE NET WRITE OFFS - TELECOMMUNICATIONS**

This schedule should be used to report accounts receivable net write off activity.

Particulars (a)	Amount (b)	_
Collection of amounts previously written off	0	1
Uncollectibles written off during the year	0	_ 2
Net write offs during the year	0	

## NOTES RECEIVABLE (ACCT. 1200) AND ALLOWANCES (ACCT. 1201)

For affiliates, list by issue or note by affiliate. Other, list by issue or note by entity. Separately identify economic development loans and associated particulars.

Name of Maker	Issue		Interest	Amount	Allowance	
and purpose	Date	Maturity	Rate	EOY	Acct. 1201	
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	

## **NONE**

Total \_\_\_\_\_\_0 \_\_\_\_1

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## **INVESTMENTS IN NONAFFILIATED COMPANIES (ACCT. 1402)**

Name (a)	Balance EOY (b)	
RTB Class B Stock	7,540	1
Other: RTB Class C Stock	2,000	_ 2
Total Investments in Nonaffiliated Companies	9,540	

## **NONREGULATED INVESTMENTS (ACCT. 1406)**

Report below the name and end-of-year balance of total net investment and inventory (accts. 1406.10, 1406.11 and 1406.12) for each nonregulated activity. Telephone utilities not subject to dual jurisdiction should report materials and supplies held for resale in account 1406.

	Balance	
Name	EOY	
(a)	(b)	
Total Net Investment and Inventory ( Accts. 1406.10, 1406.11, and 1406.12 ):		
Leased phones and business systems	2,961	1 D

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## **DEFERRED MAINTENANCE AND RETIREMENTS (ACCT. 1438)**

List items individually by Commission approval noting the date of approval.

	Description of Item (a)	Balance EOY (b)
None		0 1
Total		0

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## **TELECOMMUNICATIONS PLANT IN SERVICE CLASS A & B**

Plant Account (a)	Account (b)	Balance FOY (c)	Additions (d)	
GENERAL SUPPORT ASSETS				
Land	2111	19,349	0	1
Motor Vehicles	2112	13,819	0	2
Aircraft	2113	0	0	 3
Special Purpose Vehicles	2114	0	0	4
Garage Work Equipment	2115	0	0	 5
Other Work Equipment	2116	57,745	0	6 G
Buildings	2121	90,314	0	7
Furniture	2122	2,397	3,013	8
Office Equipment	2123	11,950	0	9
General Purpose Computers	2124	204,826	69,786	10
TOTALGENERAL SUPPORT ASSETS:		400,400	72,799	_
CENTRAL OFFICE ASSETS				
Analog Electronic Switching	2211	0	0	11
Digital Electronic Switching	2212	635,007	7,726	12 G
Electro-Mechanical Switching	2215	0	0	13
Operator Systems	2220	0	0	14
Radio Systems	2231	0	0	15
Circuit Equipment	2232	359,385	32,913	16
TOTALCENTRAL OFFICE ASSETS:		994,392	40,639	
INFORMATION ORIGINATION/TERMINATION ASSE	TS			
Station Apparatus	2311	0	0	17
Customer Premises Wiring	2321	0	0	18
Large Private Branch Exchanges	2341	0	0	19
Public Telephone Terminal Equipment	2351	6,874	0	20
Other Terminal Equipment	2362	0	0	21
TOTALINFORMATION ORIG/TERM ASSETS: CABLE WIRE FACILITIES ASSETS		6,874	0	
Poles	2411	9,039		22
Aerial Cable	2421	13,077	231	23
Underground Cable	2422	8,951	45	24
Buried Cable	2423	1,485,711	125,648	25
Submarine Cable	2424	0	0	26
Deep Sea Cable	2425	0	0	27
Intrabuilding Network Cable	2426	0	0	28
Aerial Wire	2431	3,579	0	29
Conduit Systems	2441	112,166	1,264	30
TOTALCABLE WIRE FACILITIES ASSETS:		1,632,523	127,188	
AMORTIZABLE ASSETS				
Capital Leases	2681	0	0	31

## TELECOMMUNICATIONS PLANT IN SERVICE CLASS A & B (cont.)

Account (e)	Retirements (f)	Transfers / Adjustments (g)	Balance EOY (h)	
2111	0		19,349	1
2112	0		13,819	2
2113	0		0	3
2114	0		0	4
2115	0		0	5
2116	0	(3)	57,742	6 G
2121	0		90,314	7
2122	0		5,410	8
2123	3,160	0	8,790	9
2124	16,900		257,712	10
	20,060	(3)	453,136	
2211	0		0	11
2212	0	(965)	641,768	12 G
2215	0	0	0	13
2220	0		0	14
2231	0	0	0	15
2232	0	0	392,298	16
	0	(965)	1,034,066	
2311	0		0	17
2321	0		0	18
2341	0		0	19
2351	0		6,874	20
2362	0		0	21
	0	0	6,874	
2411	4,740		4,299	22
2421	2,279	0	11,029	23
2422	0	0	8,996	24
2423	15,995	0	1,595,364	25
2424	0	0	0	26
2425	0		0	27
2426	0	0	0	28
2431	0		3,579	29
2441	0		113,430	30
	23,014	0	1,736,697	
2681	0		0	31

## **TELECOMMUNICATIONS PLANT IN SERVICE CLASS A & B**

		Balance		
Plant Account	Account	FOY	Additions	
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	
AMORTIZABLE ASSETS				
Leasehold Improvements	2682	0	0	32
Intangibles	2690	0	0	33
TOTALAMORTIZABLE ASSETS:		0	0	
TOTAL TELECOM. PLANT IN SERVICE	2001	3,034,189	240,626	
Less: Allocation to Nonregulated Activity - EOY	2001			34
NET REG. TOTAL TELE, PLANT IN SERV EOY	2001			

Explain all amounts shown in column (g).

## **TELECOMMUNICATIONS PLANT IN SERVICE CLASS A & B (cont.)**

	Balance EOY (h)	Transfers / Adjustments (g)	Retirements (f)	Account (e)
32	0		0	2682
33	0		0	2690
	0	0	0	
	3,230,773	(968)	43,074	
34	0			2001
	3,230,773			

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## TELECOMMUNICATIONS PLANT IN SERVICE CLASS A & B (SUB-CLASS ACCOUNTS)

Report telecommunications plant data for each subaccount where primary plant accounts have subclassifications. Amounts pertaining to subaccount 2212.4, Test Equipment, should be reported in account 2212.2, Digital Switching - Central Office; amounts for subaccounts 2231.3, Microwave, 2231.4, Cellular, 2231.5, Mobile Radio, and 2231.6, Paging, should be included in 2231.2, Other Radio Facilities; amounts pertaining to subaccounts 2232.4, Digital Data Services, 2232.5, Digital Circuit - Subscriber, 2232.6, Digital Circuit - Trunk - Toll, and 2232.7, Concentrators, should be reported in 2232.1, Digital Circuit Equipment. Any other separate accounting for telephone plant at an individual telephone company should be consolidated and reported in the primary accounts as defined in the uniform system of accounts.

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Plant Subaccount (a)	Subaccount (b)	FOY (c)	Additions (d)	
Office Support Equipment	2123.1	3,420	0	_ 1
Company Communications Equipment	2123.2	8,530	0	2
Software	2212.1	49,258	0	_ 3
Digital Switching - Central Office	2212.2	585,749	7,726	4
Digital Switching - Remote	2212.3	0	0	 5
Step by Step Switching	2215.1	0	0	6
Crossbar Switching	2215.2	0	0	7
Satellite and Earth Station Facilities	2231.1	0	0	8
Other Radio Facilities	2231.2	0	0	9
Digital Circuit Equipment	2232.1	300,237	11,246	10
Analog Circuit Equipment	2232.2	0	0	11
Light Wave Circuit Equipment	2232.3	59,148	21,667	12
Aerial Cable - Nonmetallic	2421.1	0	0	13
Aerial Cable - Metallic	2421.2	13,077	231	14
Underground Cable - Nonmetallic	2422.1	6,091	17	15
Underground Cable - Metallic	2422.2	2,860	28	_16
Buried Cable - Nonmetallic	2423.1	156,339	802	 17
Buried Cable - Metallic	2423.2	1,329,372	124,846	18
Submarine Cable - Nonmetallic	2424.1	0	0	19
Submarine Cable - Metallic	2424.2	0	0	_20
Intrabuilding Cable - Nonmetallic	2426.1	0	0	 21
Intrabuilding Cable - Metallic	2426.2	0	0	_22

Explain all amounts shown in column (g).

## TELECOMMUNICATIONS PLANT IN SERVICE CLASS A & B (SUB-CLASS ACCOUNTS) (cont.)

	Balance EOY (h)	Transfers / Adjustments (g)	Retirements (f)	Subaccount (e)
1	1,857		1,563	2123.1
2	6,933		1,597	2123.2
3 G	48,293	(965)	0	2212.1
4	593,475		0	2212.2
5	0		0	2212.3
6	0		0	2215.1
7	0		0	2215.2
8	0		0	2231.1
9	0		0	2231.2
10	311,483		0	2232.1
11	0		0	2232.2
12	80,815		0	2232.3
13	0		0	2421.1
14	11,029		2,279	2421.2
15	6,108		0	2422.1
16	2,888		0	2422.2
 17	157,141		0	2423.1
18	1,438,223		15,995	2423.2
19	0		0	2424.1
20	0		0	2424.2
21	0		0	2426.1
22	0		0	2426.2

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## **ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION CLASS A & B**

Primary Plant Account (a)	Acct (b)	Balance FOY (c)	Depr Rate (d)	Annual Accrual (e)	Additional Accrual (f)	
GENERAL SUPPORT ASSETS						
Motor Vehicles	2112	11,740	15.0	697	0	1
Aircraft	2113	0	.0	0	0	2
Special Purpose Vehicles	2114		.0	0	0	3
Garage Work Equipment	2115	0	.0	0	0	4
Other Work Equipment	2116	37,569	10.0	5,772	0	5
Buildings	2121	33,890	3.4	3,072	0	6
Furniture	2122	1,751	10.0	265	0	7
Office Equipment	2123	10,255	19.86	623	0	8
General Purpose Computers	2124	94,687	20.0	41,098	0	9
Total GENERAL SUPPORT ASSETS		189,892		51,527	0	
CENTRAL OFFICE ASSETS						
Analog Electronic Switching	2211	0	.0	0	0	10
Digital Electronic Switching	2212	443,305	10.4	47,904	0	11
Electro-Mechanical Switching	2215	0	.0	0	0	12
Operator Systems	2220	0	.0	0	0	13
Radio Systems	2231	0	.0	0	0	14
Circuit Equipment	2232	221,915	9.95	29,930	0	15
Total CENTRAL OFFICE ASSETS		665,220		77,834	0	
INFORMATION ORIG/TERM ASSET	S					
Station Apparatus	2311	0	.0	0	0	16
Customer Premises Wiring	2321	0	.0	0	0	17
Large Private Branch Exchanges	2341	0	.0	0	0	18
Public Telephone Terminal Equipment	2351	2,552	13.6	936	0	19
Other Terminal Equipment	2362	0	.0	0	0	20
TotalINFORMATION ORIG/TERM ASSE	TS	2,552		936	0	
CABLE WIRE FACILITIES ASSETS	3					
Poles	2411	13,010	10.0	0	0	<b>21</b> G
Aerial Cable	2421	4,305	6.0	763	0	22
Underground Cable	2422	732	4.22	372	0	23
Buried Cable	2423	357,047	4.98	74,884	0	24
Submarine Cable	2424	0	.0	0	0	25
Deep Sea Cable	2425	0	.0	0	0	26
Intrabuilding Network Cable	2426	0	.0	0	0	27
Aerial Wire	2431	(17)	19.0	683	0	28

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## **ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION CLASS A & B**

Primary Plant Account (a)	Acct (b)	Balance FOY (c)	Depr Rate (d)	Annual Accrual (e)	Additional Accrual (f)
CABLE WIRE FACILITIES ASSETS					
Conduit Systems	2441	3,206	3.03	3,396	0 <b>29</b>
Total CABLE WIRE FACILITIES ASSETS		378,283		80,098	0
Total Accumulated Depreciation	3100	1,235,947		210,395	0
Less: Allocation to Nonregulated Activity - Columns e, f and I	3100				30
Net Regulated Total Accum Depreciation Columns e, f and I	- 3100				

# **ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION CLASS A & B (cont.)**

	Balance EOY (I)	Other (k)	Salvage (j)	Cost of Removal (i)	Retired (h)	Acct (g)
1	12,437		0	0	0	2112
2	0		0	0	0	2113
	0		0	0	0	2114
4	0		0	0	0	2115
	43,341		0	0	0	2116
6	36,962		0	0	0	2121
7	2,016		0	0	0	2122
8	7,718		0	0	3,160	2123
9	118,885		0	0	16,900	2124
	221,359	0	0	0	20,060	
10	0		0	0	0	2211
11	491,209		0	0	0	2212
12	0		0	0	0	2215
	0		0	0	0	2220
14	0		0	0	0	2231
	251,845		0	0	0	2232
	743,054	0	0	0	0	
16	0		0	0	0	2311
17	0		0	0	0	2321
18	0		0	0	0	2341
19	3,488		0	0	0	2351
20	0		0	0	0	2362
	3,488	0	0	0	0	
21	(1,629)	(1,607)	0	8,292	4,740	2411
22	(14,147)	(-,00.)	0	16,936	2,279	2421
23	1,104		0	0	0	2422
24	415,798		45	183	15,995	2423
25	0		0	0	0	2424
26	0		0	0	0	2425
27	0		0	0	0	2426
28	666		0	0	0	2431

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# **ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION CLASS A & B (cont.)**

Acct (g)	Retired (h)	Cost of Removal (i)	Salvage (j)	Other (k)	Balance EOY (I)	
2441	0	0	0		6,602	29
	23,014	25,411	45	(1,607)	408,394	
3100	43,074	25,411	45	(1,607)	1,376,295	_
3100						30
3100						

#### **ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION CLASS A & B (SUB-CLASS ACCOUNTS)**

Where subclassifications of primary plant accounts are used, report below the accumulated depreciation details for each subaccount. Amounts pertaining to subaccount 2212.4, Test Equipment, should be reported in account 2212.2, Digital Switching - Central Office; amounts for subaccounts 2231.3, Microwave, 2231.4, Cellular, 2231.5, Mobile Radio, and 2231.6, Paging, should be included in 2231.2, Other Radio Facilities; amounts pertaining to subaccounts 2232.4, Digital Data Services, 2232.5, Digital Circuit - Subscriber, 2232.6, Digital Circuit - Trunk - Toll, and 2232.7, Concentrators, should be reported in 2232.1, Digital Circuit Equipment. Any other separate accounting for telephone accumulated depreciation at an individual telephone company should be consolidated and reported in the primary accounts as defined in the uniform system of accounts.

Plant Subaccount (a)	Subacct (b)	Balance FOY (c)	Depr Rate (d)	Annual Accrual (e)	Additional Accrual (f)	
Office Support Equipment	2123.1	1,725	19.0	623	0	1
Company Communications Equipmen	1 2123.2	8,530	20.0	0	0	2
Software	2212.1	45,950	33.33	2,343	0	3
Digital Switching - Central Office	2212.2	397,355	7.83	45,561	0	4
Digital Switching - Remote	2212.3	0	.0	0	0	5
Step by Step Switching	2215.1	0	.0	0	0	6
Crossbar Switching	2215.2	0	.0	0	0	7
Satellite and Earth Station Facilities	2231.1	0	.0	0	0	8
Other Radio Facilities	2231.2	0	.0	0	0	9
Digital Circuit Equipment	2232.1	200,593	10.0	24,314	0	10
Analog Circuit Equipment	2232.2	0	.0	0	0	11
Light Wave Circuit Equipment	2232.3	21,322	9.5	5,616	0	12
Aerial Cable - Nonmetallic	2421.1	0	.0	0	0	13
Aerial Cable - Metallic	2421.2	4,305	6.0	763	0	14н
Underground Cable - Nonmetallic	2422.1	432	4.1	251	0	15
Underground Cable - Metallic	2422.2	300	4.4	121	0	16
Buried Cable - Nonmetallic	2423.1	25,490	4.8	7,500	0	17
Buried Cable - Metallic	2423.2	331,557	5.0	67,384	0	18
Submarine Cable - Nonmetallic	2424.1	0	.0	0	0	19
Submarine Cable - Metallic	2424.2	0	.0	0	0	20
Intrabuilding Cable - Nonmetallic	2426.1	0	.0	0	0	21
Intrabuilding Cable - Metallic	2426.2	0	.0	0	0	22

## **ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION CLASS A & B (SUB-CLASS ACCOUNTS) (cont.)**

Subacct (g)	Retired (h)	Cost of Removal (i)	Salvage (j)	Other (k)	Balance EOY (I)	
2123.1	1,563	0	0		785	1
2123.2	1,597	0	0		6,933	2
2212.1	0	0	0		48,293	3
2212.2	0	0	0		442,916	4
2212.3	0	0	0		0	5
2215.1	0	0	0		0	6
2215.2	0	0	0		0	7
2231.1	0	0	0		0	8
2231.2	0	0	0		0	9
2232.1	0	0	0		224,907	10
2232.2	0	0	0		0	11
2232.3	0	0	0		26,938	12
2421.1	0	0	0		0	13
2421.2	2,279	16,936	0		(14,147)	14 н
2422.1	0	0	0		683	15
2422.2	0	0	0		421	16
2423.1	0	0	0		32,990	17
2423.2	15,995	183	45		382,808	18
2424.1	0	0	0		0	19
2424.2	0	0	0		0	20
2426.1	0	0	0		0	21
2426.2	0	0	0		0	22

# NET DEFERRED OPERATING INCOME TAXES (ACCT. 1350, 1410, 1437, 4100, 4340, 4341 & 4361)

This schedule should be used to report the deferred operating income tax portion of the stated accounts. In addition, column (e) of this schedule should be used to report the flowback of property related excess deferred taxes (e.g., 46 percent versus 34 percent federal tax rates). Credit amounts should be shown in ().

Particulars	Balance FOY	
(a)	(b)	
PROPERTY RELATED		
Other Current Assets (1350)		1
Other Noncurrent Assets (1410)		2
Deferred Tax Regulatory Asset (1437)	11,400	3
Net Current Deferred Operating Income Taxes (4100)		4
Net Noncurrent Deferred Operating Income Taxes (4340)	(148,077)	5 z
Net Deferred Tax Liability Adjustments (4341)	(10,282)	6
Deferred Tax Regulatory Liability (4361)	(1,118)	7
Net Property Related Deferred Operating Income Taxes	(148,077)	
Less: Allocation to Nonregulated Activity		8
Net Regulated Total Property Related Deferred Operating Income Taxes	(148,077)	_
NONPROPERTY RELATED		
Other Current Assets (1350)	887	9 z
Other Noncurrent Assets (1410)		10
Deferred Tax Regulatory Asset (1437)		11
Net Current Deferred Operating Income Taxes (4100)		12
Net Noncurrent Deferred Operating Income Taxes (4340)		13 z
Net Deferred Tax Liability Adjustments (4341)		14
Deferred Tax Regulatory Liability (4361)		15
Total Nonproperty Related Deferred Operating Income Taxes	887	

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# NET DEFERRED OPERATING INCOME TAXES (ACCT. 1350, 1410, 1437, 4100, 4340, 4341 & 4361) (cont.)

	Balance EOY (g)	Adjustments Debit or (Credit) (f)	Current Year Amortization (e)	Current Year Accrual (d)	Acct (c)
1	0				7250
2	0				7250
3	9,758			(1,642)	
4	0			( , ,	7250
5 z	(154,079)	(912)		(5,090)	7250
6	(9,790)			492	
7	32			1,150	
	(154,079)	(912)	0	(5,090)	
8	0				
<del></del>	(154,079)	(912)	0	(5,090)	
9 z	30	(857)			7250
10	0				7250
 11	0				
12	0				7250
13 z	0	1,355		(1,355)	7250
14	0				
15	0				
	30	498	0	(1,355)	

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## **NOTES PAYABLE (ACCT. 4020)**

For affiliate, list note by affiliate. For a particular affiliate, the identical affiliate name, as shown in the Affiliate Abbreviations schedule, should be reported in this schedule. For other, list by note by entity.

	Issue		Interest	Balance	
Name	Date	Maturity	Rate	EOY	
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	

#### **NONE**

Total Notes Payable \_\_\_\_\_\_0\_

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#### **LONG-TERM DEBT**

Report data requested and show total for each long-term debt account at end of year. Information concerning the following debt issues may be reported on individual lines in aggregate: REA/RTB 2%, REA/RTB 5%, & REA/RTB 7%. In addition, REA/RTB and FFB debt, respectively, within a range of 200 basis points may also be reported in aggregate on individual lines. If reported in aggregate, a range of dates may be reported in columns (b) and (c) as well as a range of interest rates in column (d) and a composite interest rate in column (e). If aggregation is not utilized, column (e) should contain the same interest rate as reported in column (d). For account 4050 report only the amount of debt anticipated to be repaid in one year or less.

Description of Debt (a)	Specific or Range of Stated Dates of Issue (b)	Specific or Range of Stated Dates of Maturity (c)	Specific or Range of Interest Rates (d)	
Funded Debt (Account 4210):				
REA/RTB	01/10/1973-01/10/1976	01/10/2005	2.0000	1
REA/RTB	05/16/1994-01/30/1995 1	0/20/2027-05/16/2031	5.0000	_ 2
REA/RTB	07/13/1979-07/13/1982	07/13/2011	7.5000	_ 
Total Funded Debt				

# LONG-TERM DEBT (cont.)

	Held by	Utility		Current		
Composite Interest Rate (e)	Debt Funds		Acct. 1408 EOY		Total Amount Outstanding (j)	
2.0000	0	0	71,936	10,935	82,871	1
5.0000	0	0	809,556	12,465	822,021	2
7.5000	0	0	106,428	5,000	111,428	3
	0	0	987,920	28,400	1,016,320	

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#### CAPITAL STOCK ACCOUNTS AT END OF YEAR

In column (a) indicate the stated dividend rate applicable to each series of preferred stock.

Class and Series (a)	Shares Authorized by Charter (b)	Par Value per Share (c)	Call Price End of Year (d)	
COMMON STOCK:				
Common Stock	7	15.00	.00	1
TOTAL COMMON STOCK	7			
TOTAL	7			

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## **CAPITAL STOCK ACCOUNTS AT END OF YEAR (cont.)**

	Acct. 4510 - Capital Stock		Acct. 4530 - T	reasury Stock	
	Shares (e)	Amount (f)	Shares (g)	Amount (h)	
COMMON STOCK:					
Common Stock	6,994	104,910	0	0	1
	6,994	104,910	0	0	
TOTAL	6,994	104,910	0	0	

## **RETAINED EARNINGS (ACCT. 4550)**

Particulars (a)	This Year (b)	Last Year (c)	
Balance-First of Year	734,545	659,636	1
Changes:			
Balance Transferred from Income	95,280	109,949	2
Dividends Declared:			
Common	40,000	35,040	3
Preferred			4
Total Dividends Declared	40,000	35,040	
Miscellaneous Debits to Retained Earnings			5
Miscellaneous Credits to Retained Earnings			6
BalanceEnd of Year	789,825	734,545	

#### **DISTRIBUTION OF TAXES**

- 1. Report hereunder the summary accounts and functions charged with taxes accrued during the year.
- 2. Where allocation is necessary, explain the basis used.
- 3. Report in a footnote the amounts and kind of taxes cleared from prepaid taxes, if any.

Summary Account/ Function Charged (a)	Wisconsin License Fee (b)	Wisconsin Income Tax (c)	Federal Income Tax (d)	
Operating Taxes (Accts. 7210 - 7250)	58,785	13,063	48,500	
Nonoperating Taxes (Accts. 7410 - 7450)		140	537	
Extraordinary Items (Accts. 7630 & 7640)				
Nonregulated Net Income (Acct. 7990)		346	1,410	
Clearing Accounts				
Construction				
Payroll Taxes: FICA				
Payroll Taxes: State Unemployment				
Payroll Taxes: Federal Unemployment				
Other (specify):				
TOTAL	58,785	13,549	50,447	

## **DISTRIBUTION OF TAXES (cont.)**

	Total (j)	roll es )	Other Taxes (h)	State & Local Taxes Other than Wisconsin (g)	Local Property Tax (f)	PSC Remainder Assessment (e)
1	122,269	0	0	0	0	1,921
	677					
	0					
i	1,756					
i	0					
i	0					
1	0					
i	0					
1	0					
<u>.                                      </u>	124,702	0	0	0	0	1,921

## REVENUES - CLASS A & B (CLASS B USE ACCOUNTS DESIGNATED BY \*)

Particulars (a)	This Year (b)	Last Year (c)	_
LOCAL NETWORK SERVICES RE	EVENUES		
Basic Local Service Revenue (5000)*			1
Basic Area Revenue (5001)	356,650	334,661	_ 2
Optional Extended Area Revenue (5002)	0	0	3
Cellular Mobile Revenue (5003)	0	0	_ 4
Other Mobile Services Revenue (5004)	824	0	5
Public Telephone Revenue (5010)	905	1,785	6
Local Private Line Revenue (5040)	6,042	7,456	7
Customer Premises Revenue (5050)	15	35	8
Other Local Exchange Revenue (5060)	40,493	33,479	9
Other Local Exchange Revenue Settlements (5069)	0	0	10
TOTAL BASIC LOCAL SERVICE REVENUE (5000)	404,929	377,416	_
NETWORK INTERSTATE ACCESS SE			
End User Revenue (5081)*	65,844	61,992	11
Switched Access Revenue (5082)*	251,744	250,794	_ 12
Special Access Revenue (5083)*	0	0	13
TOTAL INTERSTATE ACCESS REVENUES (5080)	317,588	312,786	_
NETWORK INTRASTATE ACCESS SE		_	
End User Revenue (5084.1)*	0	0	_ 14
Switched Access Revenue (5084.2)*	109,108	95,559	15
Special Access Revenue (5084.3)*	41,697	36,471	16
TOTAL INTRASTATE ACCESS REVENUES (5084)	150,805	132,030	_
LONG DISTANCE NETWORK SERVICES		0	47
Long Distance Message Revenue (5100)*	0	0	17
Long Distance Inward-Only Revenue (5111)	0	0	_ 18
Long Distance Outward-Only Revenue (5112)	0	0	19
Unidirectional Long Distance Revenue (5110)  Long Distance Private Network Revenues	0	0	
Subvoice Grade Revenue (5121)	0	0	20
Voice Grade Revenue (5122)	0	0	21
Audio Program Grade Revenue (5123)	0	0	22
Video Program Grade Revenue (5124)	0	0	23
Digital Transmission Revenue (5125)	0	0	24
Switching Revenue (5126)	0	0	25
Other Revenue (5128)	0	0	26
Other Revenue Settlements (5129)	0	0	27
Total Long Distance Private Network Revenue	0	0	
Other Long Distance Revenue (5160)	0	0	28
Other Long Distance Revenue Settlements (5169)	0	0	29
TOTAL LONG DISTANCE NET. SERVICES MESSAGE REV.	0	0	_

# REVENUES - CLASS A & B (CLASS B USE ACCOUNTS DESIGNATED BY \*)

Particulars (a)	This Year (b)	Last Year (c)	
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES	3		
Directory Revenue (5230)*	52,504	61,618	30
Rent Revenue (5240)*	0	0	31
Corporate Operations Revenue (5250)*	0	0	32
Miscellaneous:			
Miscellaneous Revenue (5260)*			33
Special Billing Arrangements Revenue (5261)	674	0	34
Customer Operations Revenue (5262)	0	0	35
Plant Operations Revenue (5263)	0	0	36
Other Incidental Regulated Revenue (5264)	2,012	2,833	37
Other Revenue Settlements (5269)	314	384	38
Total Miscellaneous Revenue (5260)	3,000	3,217	
Interstate Billing and Collection Revenue*	16,700	23,320	39 C
Intrastate Billing and Collection Revenue*	26,258	22,830	40
Total Carrier Billing and Collection Revenue (5270)*	42,958	46,150	
Nonregulated Operating Revenue (5280)**			41
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES	98,462	110,985	
GROSS OPERATING REVENUES	971,784	933,217	
UNCOLLECTIBLE REVENUES	;		
Uncollectible Revenue (5300)*			42
Uncollectible RevenueTelecommunications (5301)	1,459	1,567	43
Uncollectible RevenueOther (5302)	(95)	0	44
TOTAL UNCOLLECTIBLE REVENUE (5300)	1,364	1,567	
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	970,420	931,650	

 $<sup>^{\</sup>star\star}$  Account 5280 is to be used only by those companies subject to dual jurisdiction.

#### **EXPENSE MATRIX - CLASS A & B**

Particulars (a)	Total Last Year (b)	Total This Year (c)	Salaries / Wages (d)	
PLANT SPECIFIC OPERATIONS EXPENSE	. ,			_
Total Network Support Expense ( 6110 )	975	4,613	216	1
Less: Nonregulated	0	0	0	2
Net Regulated	975	4,613	216	3
Total General Support Expense ( 6120 )	15,708	19,001	518	4
Less: Nonregulated	0	0	0	5
Net Regulated	15,708	19,001	518	6
Total Central Office Switching Expense ( 6210 )	24,946	23,089	6,595	7
Less: Nonregulated	0	0	0	8
Net Regulated	24,946	23,089	6,595	9
Total Operator Systems Expense ( 6220 )	0	0	0	10
Less: Nonregulated	0	0	0	11
Net Regulated	0	0	0	_12
Total Central Office Transmission Expenses ( 6230 )	4,566	7,881	2,630	13
Less: Nonregulated	0	0	0	14
Net Regulated	4,566	7,881	2,630	_15
Total Information Orig. / Term. Expense ( 6310 )	570	250	152	16
Less: Nonregulated	0	0	0	17
Net Regulated	570	250	152	18
Total Cable and Wire Fac. Expense ( 6410 )	15,265	21,242	9,246	19
Less: Nonregulated	0	0	0	20 I
Net Regulated	15,265	21,242	9,246	21
TOTAL PLANT SPECIFIC OPERATIONS EXPENSE	62,030	76,076	19,357	
Less: Nonregulated	0	0	0	
Net Regulated	62,030	76,076	19,357	_
PLANT NONSPECIFIC OPERATIONS EXPENSE				_
Total Other Property, Plant and Equip. Exp. (6510)	96	867	197	22
Less: Nonregulated		0		23
Net Regulated	96	867	197	_24
Total Network Operations Expense ( 6530 )	55,062	52,770	12,485	25
Less: Nonregulated	0	0	0	26
Net Regulated	55,062	52,770	12,485	_27
Access Expense (6540)	0	0	0	28
Less: Nonregulated	0	0	0	29
Net Regulated	0	0	0	_ 30
Total Depreciation and Amortization Expense (6560)	176,666	206,176		31
Less: Nonregulated		0		32
Net Regulated	176,666	206,176		_33
TOTAL PLANT NONSPECIFIC OPERATIONS EXP.	231,824	259,813	12,682	
Less: Nonregulated	0	0	0	
Net Regulated	231,824	259,813	12,682	_

#### **EXPENSE MATRIX - CLASS A & B (cont.)**

	Clearances to (from) (i)	Other (h)	Rents (g)	Benefits (f)	Account (e)
1	(6,284)	10,561	0	120	6110
2	0	0	0	0	
3	(6,284)	10,561	0	120	
4	0	18,166	0	317	6120
5	0	0	0	0	
6	0	18,166	0	317	
7	0	15,731	0	763	6210
8	0	0	0	0	
9	0	15,731	0	763	
10	0	0	0	0	6220
11	0	0	0	0	
12	0	0	0	0	
13	0	3,912	0	1,339	6230
14	0	0	0	0	
15	0	3,912	0	1,339	
16	0	0	0	98	6310
17	0	0	0	0	
18	0	0	0	98	
 19	0	6,328	1,082	4,586	6410
20	0	0	0	0	
21	0	6,328	1,082	4,586	
	(6,284)	54,698	1,082	7,223	
	0	0	0	0	
	(6,284)	54,698	1,082	7,223	
22	0	559	0	111	6510
23	0	0		0	
24	0	559		111	
25	(5,113)	40,939	0	4,459	6530
26	0	0	0	0	
27	(5,113)	40,939	0	4,459	
28	0	0	0	0	6540
29	0	0	0	0	
30	0	0	0	0	
31		206,176			6560
32		0			i
33		206,176			i
	(5,113)	247,674	0	4,570	
	0	0	0	0	
	(5,113)	247,674	0	4,570	

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#### **EXPENSE MATRIX - CLASS A & B**

Particulars (a)	Total Last Year (b)	Total This Year (c)	Salaries / Wages (d)	
CUSTOMER OPERATIONS EXPENSE				_
Total Marketing ( 6610 )	33,702	51,421	809	34
Less: Nonregulated	0	0	0	<b>35</b> J
Net Regulated	33,702	51,421	809	36
Total Services ( 6620 )	188,029	111,109	27,676	37
Less: Nonregulated	0	0	0	38 K
Net Regulated	188,029	111,109	27,676	39
TOTAL CUSTOMER OPERATIONS EXPENSE	221,731	162,530	28,485	_
Less: Nonregulated	0	0	0	
Net Regulated	221,731	162,530	28,485	
CORPORATE OPERATIONS EXPENSE				_
Total Exec. and Planning ( 6710 )	27,456	74,959	41,986	40
Less: Nonregulated	0	0	0	41 K
Net Regulated	27,456	74,959	41,986	42
Total General and Administrative ( 6720 )	122,330	139,586	2,128	43
Less: Nonregulated	0	0	0	44
Net Regulated	122,330	139,586	2,128	45
Provision for Uncollectible Notes Receiv. ( 6790 )		0		46
Less: Nonregulated		0		47
Net Regulated	0	0		48
TOTAL CORPORATE OPERATIONS EXPENSE	149,786	214,545	44,114	_
Less: Nonregulated	0	0	0	
Net Regulated	149,786	214,545	44,114	
TOTAL EXPENSES	665,371	712,964	104,638	_
Less: Nonregulated	0	0	0	
Net Regulated	665,371	712,964	104,638	

#### **EXPENSE MATRIX - CLASS A & B (cont.)**

	Clearances to (from) (i)	Other (h)	Rents (g)	Benefits (f)	Account (e)
34	0	50,685	0	(73)	6610
35	0	0	0	0	
36	0	50,685	0	(73)	
37	0	73,916		9,517	6620
38	0	0		0	
39	0	73,916		9,517	
	0	124,601	0	9,444	
	0	0	0	0	
	0	124,601	0	9,444	
40	0	20,171		12,802	6710
41	0	0		0	
42	0	20,171		12,802	
43	0	137,284		174	6720
44	0	0		0	
45	0	137,284		174	
46		0			6790
47		0			i
48		0			
	0	157,455	0	12,976	
	0	0	0	0	
	0	157,455	0	12,976	
	(11,397)	584,428	1,082	34,213	
	0	0	0	0	
	(11,397)	584,428	1,082	34,213	

# EXPENSE MATRIX - CLASS A & B ( DETAIL )

Particulars (a)	Total Last Year (b)	Total This Year (c)	Salaries/ Wages (d)	
Property Held for Future Tele. Use Exp. (6511)	0	0	0	_ 1
Provisioning Expense ( 6512 )	96	867	197	2
Total: Reported in Account 6510	96	867	197	<del>-</del>
Depreciat. ExpTele. Plant in Service ( 6561 )	176,666	206,176		3
Depreciat. ExpProp. Held for Future Tele. Use ( 6562 )	0	0		4
Amortization ExpenseTangible ( 6563 )	0	0		5
Amortization ExpenseIntangible (6564)	0	0		6
Amortization ExpenseOther ( 6565 )	0	0		7
Total: Reported in Account 6560	176,666	206,176		_

# EXPENSE MATRIX - CLASS A & B ( DETAIL ) (cont.)

Account (e)	Benefits (f)	Rents (g)	Other (h)	Clearances to (from) (i)	
6511	0		0	0	1
6512	111		559	0	2
	111		559	0	
6561			206,176		3
6562			0		4
6563			0		5
6564			0		6
6565			0		7
			206,176		

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#### CALCULATION OF ASSESSABLE REVENUES FOR REMAINDER AND TELEPHONE RELAY **ASSESSMENT PURPOSES**

Currently, cooperatives are not billed for remainder assessment, but are subject to Department of Justice and telephone relay assessments.

Description	This Year	
(a)	(b)	
Gross Operating Revenues	971,784	1
Plus: Collection of amounts previously written off	0	2
Less: Uncollectibles written off during the year	0	3
Plus: Total Other Operating Income and (Expense) (7100)	444	4
Less: Nonregulated Operating Revenue (included Gross Oper. Rev. on Line 1)		5
Plus: Nonregulated Uncollectible Revenue (included in Gross Oper. Rev. on Line 1)		6
Less: Out-of-State Operating Revenues (included in Gross Oper. Rev. on Line 1)		7
Plus (or Less) Other (please specify):		
		8
Assessable Revenues for Remainder, Department of Justice, and		•
Telephone Relay Assessment Purposes	972,228	

#### CALCULATION OF ASSESSABLE REVENUES FOR UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND **ASSESSMENT PURPOSES**

Description (a)	This Year (b)	
Total Basic Local Service Revenue (5000)	404,929	1
Plus: Total Intrastate Access Revenues (5084)	150,805	2
Plus: Total Long Distance Network Services Revenue	0	3
Less: Out-of-State Operating Revenues (included in the above lines) Plus (or Less) Other (please specify):		<b>.</b> 4
		5
Assessable Revenues for Universal Service Fund Assessment Purposes	555,734	

#### CALCULATION OF ASSESSABLE REVENUES FOR REMAINDER AND TELEPHONE RELAY **ASSESSMENT PURPOSES**

Currently, cooperatives are not billed for remainder assessment, but are subject to the telephone relay assessment.

Description	This Year	
(a)	(b)	
Gross Operating Revenues	971,784	1
Plus: Collection of amounts previously written off	0	2
Less: Uncollectibles written off during the year	0	3
Plus: Total Other Operating Income and (Expense) (7100)	444	4
Less: Nonregulated Operating Revenue (included Gross Oper. Rev. on Line 1)		5
Plus: Nonregulated Uncollectible Revenue (included in Gross Oper. Rev. on Line 1)		6
Less: Out-of-State Operating Revenues (included in Gross Oper. Rev. on Line 1)		7
Plus (or Less) Other (please specify):		
		8
Assessable Revenues for Remainder and		
Telephone Relay Assessment Purposes	972,228	

#### CALCULATION OF ASSESSABLE REVENUES FOR UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND **ASSESSMENT PURPOSES**

Description (a)	This Year (b)	
Total Basic Local Service Revenue (5000)	404,929	1
Plus: Total Intrastate Access Revenues (5084)	150,805	2
Plus: Total Long Distance Network Services Revenue	0	3
Less: Out-of-State Operating Revenues (included in the above lines) Plus (or Less) Other (please specify):		. 4 5
Assessable Revenues for Universal Service Fund Assessment Purposes	555,734	. •

# OTHER INCOME ACCOUNTS (CLASS B USE ACCOUNTS DESIGNATED BY \*)

Particulars (a)	This Year (b)	Last Year (c)	•
OTHER OPERATING INCOME AND EXPENSE			-
Income from Custom Work (7110)*	0	0	1
Return from Nonregulated Use of Regulated Facilities (7130)*	444	408	2
Gains and (Losses) from Foreign Exchange (7140)	0	0	3
Gains or (Losses) from the Disposition of Land and Artworks (7150)	0	0	_ 4
Other Operating Gains and (Losses) (7160)*	0	0	5
TOTAL OTHER OPERATING INCOME AND (EXPENSE) (7100)*	444	408	_
OPERATING TAXES			
Operating Investment Tax CreditsNet (7210)*	(2,137)	(2,137)	_ 6
Operating Federal Income Taxes (7220)*	44,799	54,322	7
Operating State and Local Income Taxes (7230)*	12,898	19,407	_ 8
Operating Other Taxes (7240)*	60,706	53,708	9
Provision for Deferred Operating Income TaxesNet (7250)*	6,003	(5,443)	_ 10
TOTAL OPERATING TAXES (7200)*	122,269	119,857	_
NONOPERATING INCOME AND EXPENSE			
Dividend Income (7310)*	145	150	
Interest Income (7320)*	6,363	15,548	_
Income from Sinking and Other Funds (7330)*	0	0	13
Allowance for Funds Used During Construction (7340)*	337	116	_ 14
Gains or (Losses) from the Disposition of Certain Property (7350)*	0	0	15
Other Nonoperating Income (7360)*	0	267	_
Special Charges (7370)*	2,163	1,152	
TOTAL NONOPERATING INCOME AND EXPENSE (7300)*	4,682	14,929	_
NONOPERATING TAXES	_		
Nonoperating Investment Tax CreditsNet (7410)*	0	0	_ 18
Nonoperating Federal Income Taxes (7420)*	537	2,610	19
Nonoperating State and Local Income Taxes (7430)*	140	645	_
Nonoperating Other Taxes (7440)*	0	0	21
Provision for Deferred Nonoperating Income Taxes-Net (7450)*	0		_ 22
TOTAL NONOPERATING TAXES (7400)*	677	3,255	-
INTEREST AND RELATED ITEMS			
Interest on Funded Debt (7510)*	52,086	52,729	
Interest ExpenseCapital Leases (7520)*	0	0	_ 24
Amortization of Debt Issuance Expense (7530)*	0	1,331	25
Other Interest Deductions (7540)*	2,041	0	_
TOTAL INTEREST AND RELATED ITEMS (7500)*	54,127	54,060	-
EXTRAORDINARY ITEMS			-
Extraordinary Items (7600)*	0	0	27
Extraordinary Income Credits (7610)	0		_ 28
Extraordinary Income Charges (7620)	_		29
Current Income Tax Effect of Extraordinary ItemsNet (7630)	0		_ 30
Provision for Deferred Income Tax Effect of Extraordinary ItemsNet (7640)	Ü	0	31
TOTAL EXTRAORDINARY ITEMS (7600)*	0	0	_
NONREGULATED NET INCOME			
Nonregulated Net Income (7990)*	9,771	5,506	_ 32

#### **NONREGULATED NET INCOME (ACCT. 7990)**

Particulars (a)	Amount (b)	
Revenues (Acct. 7990.1)		
Gross Sales	58,313	1
Less: Cost of Goods Sold	21,284	2
Net Sales	37,029	3
Expenses (Acct. 7990.2)	27,258	4
Nonregulated Net Income	9,771	5

#### List the type of nonregulated activities that company is involved in:

Nonregulated activities include the sale, leaseing, installation and maintenance of 1 \$ 2 line phones, key systems, PBXs, Direct Broadcast Satellite (DBS) and data modems. In addition, nonregulated activities include sales and leasing of mobile and pager equipment where the tarrif allows.

If the revenues from an individual nonregulated activity represent in excess of 5% of the total operating revenues for the company, please provide the amounts, as requested above, for that individual activity:

#### **DISTRIBUTION OF SALARIES AND WAGES**

Description (a)	Amount (b)	
Regulated Expense	104,638	1
Nonregulated Expense	4,095	2
Plant Accounts	37,227	
Accumulated Depreciation Accounts	0	4
All Other Accounts	14,524	5
Total Salaries and Wages	160,484	<del></del> 6

## **EMPLOYEE DATA**

Compensation includes wages, commissions, bonuses and any other cash allowances paid to employees.

	Number of Eq Full-Time Em			
Employee Category (a)	FOY (b)	EOY (c)	Total Compensation (d)	
Officers				1
Supervision and Other Management	.00	1.00		2
Other Employees	2.00	2.00		3
Total	2.00	3.00	0	<del>-</del>

#### **EMPLOYEE DATA**

Compensation includes wages, commissions, bonuses and any other cash allowances paid to employees.

**Number of Equivalent** Full-Time Employees **Employee Total** Category **FOY EOY** Compensation (a) (b) (c) (d) Officers 1 2 Supervision and Other Management .00 1.00 Other Employees 2.00 2.00 3 Total 2.00 3.00 0

#### TELEPHONE CALLS AND MINUTES OF USE PER MONTH

Enter average number, in thousands, of calls and minutes of use per month. The averages may be based on actual counts taken periodically during the year. Please provide level of detail available.

ltem (a)	Telephone Calls (000's) (b)	Minutes of Use (000's) (c)	_
LOCAL			
Intra-Exchange	0	0	_ 1
Extended Area Service	0	0	_ 2
Extended Community Calling	0	0	3
Other Local-Undefined	0	0	4
Total Local	0	0	_
TOLL			_
Operator Handled: StateintraLATA	0	0	_ 5
Operator Handled: StateinterLATA	0	0	_ 6
Operator Handled: Interstate	0	0	7
Customer Dialed: StateintraLATA	0	123	8
Customer Dialed: StateinterLATA	0	80	9
Customer Dialed: Interstate	0	186	10
WATS	0	0	11
Other Toll-Undefined	0	0	12
Total Toll	0	389	_
Total Local & Toll	0	389	_

#### **ACCESS USAGE**

Enter number, in thousands, of Billed Minutes.

		Billed Minu	utes (000's)		
Description (a)	Interstate InterLATA (b)	Intrastate InterLATA (c)	Intrastate IntraLATA (d)	Interstate IntraLATA (e)	
Feature Group A Orig.	0	0	0	0	1
Feature Group A Term.	0	0	0	0	2
Feature Group B Orig.	7	0	3	0	3
Feature Group B Term.	0	0	0	0	4
Feature Group C Orig.	0	0	0	0	5
Feature Group C Term.	0	0	0	0	6
Feature Group D Orig.	1,163	554	742	0	7
Feature Group D Term.	912	344	638	0	8

#### **OUTSIDE PLANT STATISTICS AT END OF YEAR**

Description of Item (a)	Amount (b)	
Sheath miles of plant - aerial	4	1
Sheath miles of plant - buried	126	2
Sheath miles of plant - fiber optics	11	3
Strand miles of plant - fiber optics	175	4
Route miles of plant - microwave	0	5

#### SPECIAL ACCESS CIRCUITS IN USE AT END OF YEAR

Circuit Type (a)	InterLATA Chan. Terms. (b)	IntraLATA Chan. Terms. (c)	
Voice grade	0	3	1
56 kbps	2	3	2
64 kbps (DS0)	0	0	3
1.54 Mbps (DS-1)	0	0	4
45 Mbps (DS-3)	0	0	5
SONET OC-1	0	0	6
SONET OC-3	0	0	7
SONET OC-12	0	0	8
SONET OC-48	0	0	9
SONET OC-192	0	0	10

#### **OUTSIDE PLANT STATISTICS AT END OF YEAR**

Description of Item (a)	Amount (b)	
Sheath miles of plant - aerial	4	1
Sheath miles of plant - buried	126	2
Sheath miles of plant - fiber optics	11	3
Strand miles of plant - fiber optics	175	4
Route miles of plant - microwave	0	5

#### SPECIAL ACCESS CIRCUITS IN USE AT END OF YEAR

Circuit Type (a)	InterLATA Chan. Terms. (b)	IntraLATA Chan. Terms. (c)	
Voice grade	0	3	1
56 kbps	2	3	2
64 kbps (DS0)	0	0	3
1.54 Mbps (DS-1)	0	0	4
45 Mbps (DS-3)	0	0	5
SONET OC-1	0	0	6
SONET OC-3	0	0	7
SONET OC-12	0	0	8
SONET OC-48	0	0	9
SONET OC-192	0	0 1	10

#### **SERVICE DATA**

Item (a)	FOY (b)	EOY (c)	
Business	, ,		_
1 Party	148	142	3
2 Party	0	0	4
4 Party	0	0	_ 5
PBX Trunks/System Trunks	0	0	6
Centrex Trunks	0	0	_ 7
Centrex Lines	102	128	8
Key System Trunks	26	25	_ 9
Mobile (Utility Provided Service)	0	0	10
Paging (Utility Provided Service)	0	0	_ 11
FX-Out (Switched)	10	9	12
Pay Telephone	0	6	13
Coin-Operated Pay Telephone	0	0	14
Independent Pay Telephone Provider	0	0	15
Pay Stations - Public	6	0	<sup>-</sup> 16
- Semi-Public	0	0	17
- Cust. Owned	0	0	18
Other	0	0	19
Total Business Lines	292	310	_ 20
Residential (Incl. Emp. Concess.)			21
1 Party	1,131	1,159	_ 22
2 Party	0	0	_ 23
4 Party	0	0	_ 24
FX-Out (Switched)	26	26	25
Other	0	0	26
Total Residential Lines	1,157	1,185	27
Total Bus & Res Lines	1,449	1,495	28
Company Used Lines	7	17	29
Total Lines Used	1,456	1,512	30

#### **SERVICE DATA (cont.)**

ltem (a)	FOY (b)	EOY (c)
Miscellaneous	(~)	(9)
WATS Lines - OutWATS	0	0
WATS Lines - 800 Service	0	0
FX-In-intraLATA	5	0
Special Access-intraLATA		
(expressed in equiv. access lines)	6	6
Special Access-interLATA		
(expressed in equiv. access lines)	0	2
Feature Group A Lines	0	0
Feature Group B Trunks	0	0
Feature Group C Trunks	0	0
Feature Group D Trunks	60	60
TSPS - Trunks	0	6
EAS - Trunks	1,312	168
Cellular Trunks (Pub. Sw. Net.)	0	0
Video Distance Learning		
- discounted (special tariff)	0	0
Customers		
Business - 2 Party Customers	0	0
Business - 4 Party Customers	0	0
Residential - 2 Party Customers	0	0
Residential - 4 Party Customers	0	0
Other		
Total Central Office, Info. Orig./Term., & Cable Wire Fac. Assets (based on physical		
location of plant)	2,633,789	2,777,636
Total Company Square Miles	38	62
Total Company Route Miles	83	120
Footnotes		

#### **SERVICE DATA - END OF YEAR**

ltem (a)	Exchange (b)	Exchange (c)	Exchange (d)	Exchange (e)	
PSCW Exchange ID	0530				
Business					
1 Party	142				
2 Party	0				
4 Party	0				
PBX Trunks/System Trunks	0				
Centrex Trunks	0				
Centrex Lines	128				
Key System Trunks	25				
Mobile (utility provided service)	0				
Paging (utility provided service)	0				
FX-Out (Switched)	9				
Pay Telephone	6				
Coin-Operated Pay Telephone	0				
Independent Pay Telephone Provider	0				
Pay Stations - Public	0				_
- Semi-Public	0				
- Cust. Owned	0				
Other	0				
Total Business Lines	310	0	0	0	
Residential (Incl. Emp. Concess.)					_
1 Party	1,159				
2 Party	0				
4 Party	0				
FX-Out (Switched)	26				
Other	0				
Total Residential Lines	1,185	0	0	0	
Total Bus & Res Lines	1,495	0	0	0	_
Company Used Lines	17				_
Total Lines Used	1,512	0	0	0	

## **SERVICE DATA - END OF YEAR (cont.)**

ltem (a)	Exchange (b)	Exchange (c)	Exchange (d)	Exchange (e)
PSCW Exchange ID	0530			
Miscellaneous				
WATS Lines - OutWATS	0			
WATS Lines - 800 Service	0			
FX-In-intraLATA	0			
Special Access-intraLATA				
(equiv. access lines)	6			
Special Access-interLATA				
(equiv. access lines)	2			
Feature Group A Lines	0			
Feature Group B Trunks	0			
Feature Group C Trunks	0			
Feature Group D Trunks	60			
TSPS - Trunks	6			
EAS - Trunks	168			
Cellular Trunks (Pub. Sw. Net.)	0			
Video Distance Learning				
- discounted (special tariff)	0			
Customers				
Business - 2 Party Customers	0			
Business - 4 Party Customers	0			
Residential - 2 Party Customers	0			
Residential - 4 Party Customers	0			
Other				
Exchange C.O., Info. Orig./Term., & Cable				
Wire Fac. Assets (based on physical				
location of plant)	2,777,636			
Exchange Square Miles	62			
Exchange Route Miles	120			
Footnotes				

#### **MANUFACTURER ABBREVIATIONS**

Use these abbreviations when completing the central office data schedule.

	Manufacturer Name (a)	Abbreviation (b)	
Alcatel		AL	1
ATTC		ATT	2
GTE		GTE	3
ITT		ITT	4
Lucent		ATT/LUC	5
Nippon Electric		NEC	6
Northern Telecom		NTI	7
Siemens		SI	8
Stromberg-Carlson		SC	9
VIDAR		VI	10

#### **EQUIPMENT ABBREVIATIONS**

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Equipment Type (a)		Abbreviation (b)		
Electromechanical		EM	1	
ElectronicAnalog		Α	2	
ElectronicDigital		D	3	
ElectronicVideo		V	4	

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#### **CENTRAL OFFICE DATA - END OF YEAR**

When an exchange has more than one central office, data must be reported for each central office.

Description (a)	Central Off. (b)	Central Off. (c)	Central Off. (d)	Central Off. (e)
Exchange Name	BLACK EARTH	` ,	• • •	• •
PSCW Exchange ID	0530			
Central Office Name	BLACK EARTH			
PSCW Central Office ID	1			
Manufacturer of COE (Page 54)	SC			
/ear COE Installed	1991			
Type of Equipment (Page 54)	D			
S)tandalone, (H)ost, (R)emote	S			
Remote Host PSCW Exchange ID				
Remote Host PSCW Central Office ID				
OE Generic Software Release No.	20			
SS7?	Yes			
l-1-1?	Yes			
Access Lines - In Use	1,512			
- Equipped	1,725			
- Wired	1,725			
runks - In Use	196			
- Equipped	384			
- Wired	384			
SDN Available?	No			
SDN Lines - In Use (BRI)	0			
- In Use (PRI)	0			
Switched 56 Service?	No			
Switched 56 lines in use	0			
Digital Transmission Facilities: DS-1 - In Use	13			
DS-3 - In Use	2			
Advanced Data Service Available:				
Packet Switching?	No			
SMDS?	No			
Frame Relay?	No			
ATM (Asynchronous Trans. Mode)?	No			
/ideo Information - Service Available?	No			
- In Use (# lines) <sup>1</sup>	0			
iber Transmission Facilities:				
No. of fiber strands entering C.O.	56			
No. of fiber strands working (LIT) in C.O.	10			
No. of fiber strands for interoffice use	110			
Miles of fiber sheath in wire center	11			
access Tandem Serving this C.O.:				
- C.O. Name	MADISON			
- PSCW C.O. ID	3080-01			
Does this C.O. do access tandem switching?	No			
Equal Access: InterLATA (1+)?	Yes			
Equal Access: IntraLATA (1+)?	Yes			

<sup>1</sup> Teleco provided end-to-end facility.

#### **GENERAL, SCHEDULE LEVEL AND SCHEDULE LINE FOOTNOTES**

#### **General Footnote**

Adjustments on line 9 are due to truing up the amount of gift certificates outstanding. All other adjustments are due to rounding or are reclasses between the Property Related and Nonproperty Related classification.

#### **Schedule Footnotes**

Net Deferred Operating Income Taxes (Acct. 1350, 1410, 1437, 4100, 4340, 4341 & 4361) Footnote. Page 30

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#### Telephone Calls and Minutes of Use Per Month Footnote. Page 47

This schedule has been completed to the best of our ability. The information requested by number of telephone calls in column (b) is not available due to our companys method of tracking call traffic. We do not track by the number of calls. Numbers in column (c), lines 8 through 10, contain both customer dialed and operator handled minutes of use. Further breakdown is not available.

#### **Schedule Line Footnotes**

- A) Federal income tax payable to parent is recorded in account 4070100.
- B) Contact Gerald Ringlund at (608) 664-4554 with questions on page 47, page 48, and page 49 Special Access Circuits only, page 50, page 51 lines 1-9, page 52 and page 53 lines 1-9. Contact Dave Esser at (608)664-4530 with questions on page 49 Outside Plant only, page 51 lines 10-30, page 53 lines 10-30, and page 55.
- C) Interstate Billing & Collection Revenue declined in 1997 due to a decrease in program development charges.
- D) Balance consists primarily of leased phones and business systems net of depreciation. This leased investment is depreciated with a rate of 33.33% per year. Individual leases are not tracked separately.
- E) TDS Corporate Chicago and TDS Corporate Madison were merged 4/1/96. All charges from TDS Corporate Madison after 4/1/96 are included in the TDS CORP column.
- **G)** Amounts in column (g) and (k) are reclasses between accounts or transfers with affiliates.
- H) Cost of removal was greater than the accumulated depreciation balance.
- Cable & Wire Facilities expense increased due to increased maintenance activity in 1997.
- J) Marketing expenses increased in 1997 due to intensified efforts to promote regulated product lines.
- K) Executive and planning charges are up in 1997 due to an increase in labor and benefit costs related to the addition of an area manager. Customer operations expenses are down due to a decrease in labor and benefits as a result of a portion of the area managers time billed out to other affiliates.
- Z) System required a footnote indicator to adjust schedule per 10/22/98 letter from utility. Changed numbers back to what was originally reported because utility did not provide all related annual report changes and instructed John Erpenbach on 2/9/99 to adjust in the 1998 annual report.